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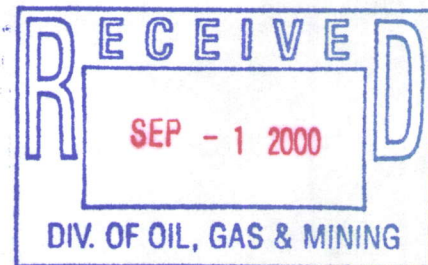
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Mr. Jim Ashton, PE
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Western States Minerals Corporation
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Subject: Drum Mine Reclamation - Industrial Solid Waste Landfill, Millard County

Dear Mr. Ashton,

The Reclamation and Closure Plan, as required and approved by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, for the Drum Mine located approximately 35 miles northwest of Delta in Millard County has been reviewed.

It is determined that the closure and reclamation activities at the solid waste disposal site will be as stringent as the requirements for an Industrial Solid Waste Landfill specified in Utah Administrative Code (UAC) R315-304-5(2)(b). Also, the reclamation bond required by the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining includes the closure and reclamation of the solid waste disposal site. Therefore, the solid waste disposal site at the Drum Mine meets the requirements of UAC R315-318 and is hereby permitted by rule as a closed Class III Landfill.

If you have questions or need further information on this matter, please contact Carl Wadsworth or Ralph Bohn at 801-538-6170.

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Downs, Executive Secretary
Utah Solid and Hazardous Waste Control Board

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